

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE: North Dakota

Utilization Review

Intermediate Care

1. Medicaid recipients seeking admission to or residing in standard Intermediate Care Facilities certified under 42 CFR 442, Subparts E and F, will be subject to review in accordance with the state's approved Utilization Review (UR) waiver for Skilled Nursing Facilities specified in Section 4.14 (d) of the State Plan.

2. Recipients at the State operated Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR) located at Grafton, ND will be subject to a facility based in-house UR System which will be monitored directly by the State Department of Health.

3. Recipients in community ICF's/MR will be reviewed as follows:

A. Admission Review

A regional Utilization Review (UR) team consisting of a regional Developmental Disabilities (DD) Coordinator or DD Case Manager designee who is a Qualified Mental Retardation Professional (QMRP), a physician and other professional persons, which may include as needed, a registered nurse, psychologist, social worker and other DD program professionals, will evaluate each proposed admission to an ICF/MR by assessing medical, psychological and social documentation and making a determination as to whether the person can appropriately benefit from active treatment in an ICF/MR setting.

B. Continued Stay Review

A DD Coordinator or DD Case Manager designee (QMRP) will review the need for continued care of each Medicaid recipient in an ICF/MR as necessary but no later than six months after the date of admission review and at least every six months thereafter.

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